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SUBJECT: MINISTER JACK JOINS HOPE IN WASHINGTON

REF: GEORGETOWN 2518

1. EMBASSY HAS LEARNED THAT HUBERT JACK, MINISTER OF ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES, DEPARTED GEORGETOWN LATE LAST WEEK TO JOIN MINISTER FRANK HOPE IN WASHINGTON. JACK'S DEPARTUE AND ITINERARY HAS NOT BEEN PUBLISHED IN LOCAL PRESS. EMBASSY BECAME AWARE OF JACK'S DEPARTURE FROM GEORGETOWN WHEN SHIRLEY FIELD-RIDLEY, MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND CULTURE, WAS NAMED ACTING MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND JUSTICE ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17.

2. WE CAN ONLY SURMISE THAT JACK JOINED HOPE FOR TALKS WITH IMF, IDB AND OTHER LENDING AGENCIES. ONLY "DAYCLEANN" PRESS ORGAN OF THE WORKING PEOPLE'S VANGUARD PARTY, MENTIONED THAT JACK WAS IN WASHINGTON AND SPECULATED THAT HE WOULD ALSO BE TALKING WITH U.S. OFFICIALS ABOUT POSSIBLE LOANS FOR GUYANA.

3. EMBASSY WILL ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE NATURE OF
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